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**Amendments to the Claims**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-9 (canceled)

Claim 10 (currently amended): A backlight system comprising:

a light guide plate defining a plurality of side faces, opposite bottom and exit faces, and a plurality of incident faces, said side faces commonly defining a periphery of said light guide plate, said incident faces being [[at]] respectively in each of indented corners of said light guide plate; and

a plurality of point light sources essentially uniformly dispersed along said periphery and located at said corners, wherein most portions of each of said light sources are located within an area of the corresponding indented corner which is defined by said incident face and two neighboring side faces of said light guide plate, and said point light sources are commonly directed toward a center region of said light guide plate.

Claims 11-17 (canceled)

**REMARKS**